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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES SENATE:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce strongly supports bipartisan energy legislation approved in the House and Senate, S. 2012, and urges the Senate to proceed to formal conference with the House on this important legislation.

America's energy landscape has changed dramatically since Congress last passed a multi-title energy bill a decade ago, and it is crucial that federal energy policy reflect these changes in order to maximize and prolong the benefits the recent energy renaissance is producing. The House and Senate versions of S. 2012 both would take important steps to address many areas of high priority for American businesses: siting, efficiency, and infrastructure.

The Chamber applauds the Senate, especially Energy and Natural Resources Committee Chair Murkowski and Ranking Member Cantwell, for crafting the forward-looking and overwhelmingly bipartisan Senate legislation.

The House also deserves credit for completing work on their version of energy policy legislation and for voting to proceed to conference on the bill on May 25.

The Chamber urges the Senate to move to formal conference and begin work resolving differences between the House- and Senate-passed versions of S. 2012 so that Congress can expeditiously approve legislation to improve energy efficiency, energy infrastructure, overall American energy policy, and energy policy involving tribal lands.

The Chamber looks forward to working with Congress throughout the conference committee process with the goal of producing strong, bipartisan energy policy legislation. **The Chamber will consider including votes on, or in relation to, the Motion to go to Conference on S. 2012 in our annual *How They Voted* scorecard.**

Sincerely,



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